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Applicant: JOHNSON ET AL. : Confirmation No.: 9658

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For: MULTIPLE HEAD AUTOMATED COMPOSITE LAMINATING MACHINE FOR THE FABRICATION OF LARGE BARREL SECTION COMPONENTS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated as mailed on April 4, 2006 and having a period of response extending through and including July 5, 2006, please make the below-identified amendments, and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.